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Arkansas Chick Placements Down 8 Percent From Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas was 23.9 million during the week ending February 3, 2007. Placements were down 8 percent from the comparable week in 2006, but up 2 percent from the previous week, and included 2.7 million chicks shipped in from other states.

The broiler-type chicks hatched for the week was 24.6 million, down 5 percent from the corresponding week a year earlier, but up 1 percent from the previous week. Of the total hatch, 3.0 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 84 percent.

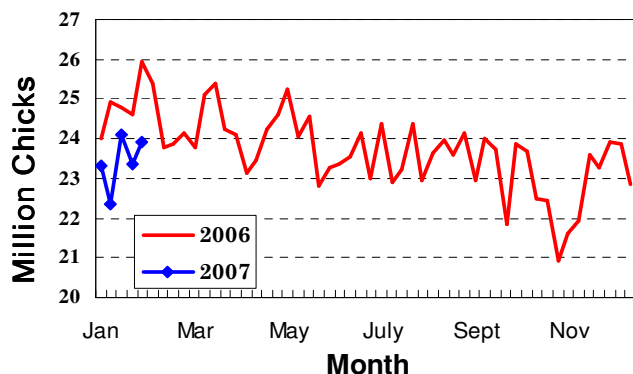
Arkansas hatcheries set 29.4 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending February 3, 2007, down 6 percent from the same period last year, and down 1 percent from the previous week.

Week Ending ¹	Chicks Placed			Chicks Hatched			Eggs Set		
	2005-2006	2006-2007	% of Prev. Year	2005-2006	2006-2007	% of Prev. Year	2005-2006	2006-2007	% of Prev. Year
	<i>Thousand</i>			<i>Thousand</i>			<i>Thousand</i>		
Dec. 30	24,817	22,870	92	25,857	23,839	92	31,397	29,531	94
Jan. 6	24,022	23,302	97	25,956	24,720	95	31,308	29,212	93
Jan. 13	24,910	22,355	90	25,940	24,422	94	31,150	29,400	94
Jan. 20	24,773	24,090	97	26,029	24,681	95	31,473	29,476	94
Jan. 27	24,597	23,383	95	26,054	24,441	94	31,327	29,654	95
Feb. 3	25,961	23,929	92	25,999	24,578	95	31,442	29,426	94

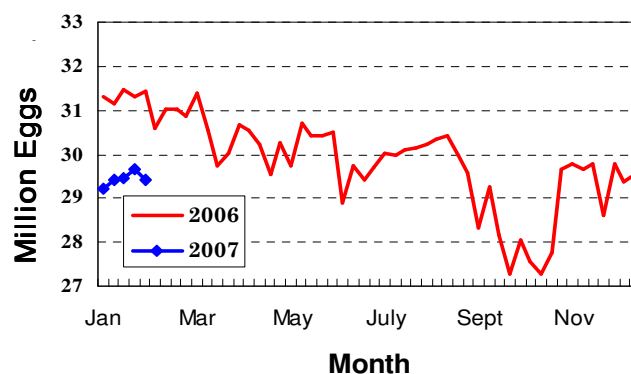
¹ For previous year, it is the comparable week.

* Revised in current week

Chicks Placed In Arkansas, 2006-2007



Eggs Set In Arkansas, 2006 - 2007



Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Weeks, January 6, 2006 - February 3, 2007

State	Eggs Set							Chicks Placed						
	Week Ending							Week Ending						
	6-Jan	13-Jan	20-Jan	27-Jan	3-Feb	% 1/		6-Jan	13-Jan	20-Jan	27-Jan	3-Feb	% 1/	
	<i>Thousand</i>							<i>Thousand</i>						
Alabama	30,385	30,529 *	29,137 *	30,559 *	30,543	96		20,331 *	20,105 *	20,319 *	20,851 *	20,258	94	
Arkansas	29,212	29,400	29,476	29,654	29,426	94		23,302	22,355	24,090	23,383	23,929	92	
Delaware	3,998	3,807	3,974	3,840	3,852	104		4,933	4,454	4,968	5,457 *	5,414	106	
Florida	1,354	1,366 *	1,343	1,344	1,344	98		1,537	1,353	1,441	1,382	1,680	102	
Georgia	35,155	35,446	34,538	34,832	35,054	104		28,937 *	28,583	28,990	28,348 *	27,816	102	
Kentucky	7,711 *	7,778 *	7,977	7,388	7,415	103		5,987	6,144	6,248	6,575 *	6,212	101	
Louisiana	3,680	3,680	3,664	3,695	3,711	90		3,619	3,686	3,557	3,310	3,410	86	
Maryland	8,781	8,716	8,403	8,729 *	8,737	98		5,752	6,333	5,991	5,214 *	5,153	91	
Mississippi	17,683	18,116	18,363	18,529	18,816	103		16,175	16,398	16,689 *	15,965 *	16,089	97	
N. Carolina	18,600	18,528 *	18,606	18,622	18,901	103		15,944	15,416	15,111	15,525	15,314	105	
Oklahoma	6,553	6,567	6,527	6,508	6,567	100		4,799	5,941	4,379	5,635	4,925	110	
Pennsylvania	3,959 *	3,972	3,946	3,875	3,850	103		3,007	2,966	2,950	2,905	2,900	99	
S. Carolina	5,550	5,516	5,440	5,361	5,493	106		4,673	5,034	4,828	4,425	5,508	121	
Texas	14,212 *	14,414 *	14,107 *	13,871 *	14,454	99		11,918 *	11,900 *	12,019 *	11,931 *	12,157	93	
Virginia	6,176	6,168	6,121	5,879	6,177	99		5,012	4,690	4,871	4,802 *	4,900	93	
CA,MO,TN & WW	17,464 *	17,100 *	17,224 *	17,496 *	17,513	100		17,043 *	15,804 *	16,284 *	15,792 *	16,027	100	
19 State Total	210,473 *	211,103 *	208,846 *	210,182 *	211,853			172,969 *	171,162 *	172,735 *	171,500 *	171,692		
Prev. Year Total	213,256	213,689	215,404	214,147	212,810			175,059	172,920	174,210	174,755	174,471		
% of Prev. Year	99	99	97	98	100			99	99	99	98	98		
Approximate Marketing Date 2007 2/								24-Feb	3-Mar	10-Mar	17-Mar	24-Mar		

* Revised in current week.

1/ Current week as percent of the same week last year.

2/ Industry average; seven weeks from placement.

Broiler Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down Slightly

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 212 million eggs in incubators during the week ending February 3, 2007. This was down slightly from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler Chicks Placed Down 2 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 172 million chicks for meat production during the week ending February 3, 2007. Placements were down 2 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative Placements from December 31, 2006 through February 3, 2007 were 860 million, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.